**Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended): A system for providing application-specific strategies to a JAVA platform, comprising:

a runtime subsystem; and

an application having a control module in communication with the runtime subsystem, the application further including a plurality of service modules in communication with the control module, the control module is executed as part of the application and includes application-specific policies in a JAVA code form for the JAVA application, and provides the application-specific policies to an underlying JAVA platform without breaking the underlying JAVA platform ~~the application-specific policies are programmed using JAVA programming language~~.

2. (cancelled):

3. (original): A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the application-specific policies include application-specific start polices.

4. (original): A system as recited in claim 3, wherein the application-specific policies include application-specific stop polices.

5. (original): A system as recited in claim 4, wherein the control module manages the service modules.

6. (original): A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the control module is capable of starting a child application.

7. (original): A system as recited in claim 6, wherein the control module starts the child application by starting a child control module, the child control module being part of the child application.

8. (currently amended): A method for starting an application having application-specific strategies in a JAVA environment, comprising the operations of:

providing a parent control module having application-specific policies, in a JAVA code form, for a parent JAVA application, ~~wherein the application-specific policies, are programmed using a JAVA programming language~~ and the application-specific policies are provided to an underlying JAVA platform without altering the Java platform ;

generating a child control module using the parent control module, the child control module being part of a child application; and

executing the child application using the child control module.

9. (original): A method as recited in claim 8, further comprising the operation of sending a request from the parent control module to a runtime executive subsystem, the request including a message to start the child application.

10. (original): A method as recited in claim 8, further comprising the operation of starting a plurality of service modules using the child control module, the plurality of service modules being part of the child application.

11. (original): A method as recited in claim 10, further comprising the operation of sending a request from the child control module to the runtime executive subsystem, the request including a message to start a service module.

12. (original): A method as recited in claim 11, wherein each service module is executed using a server subsystem.

13. (original): A method as recited in claim 12, wherein the child control module includes the application-specific policies of the parent control module.

14. (cancelled):

15. (currently amended): A method for stopping an application having application-specific strategies in a JAVA environment, comprising the operations of:

providing a parent control module having application-specific policies for a parent JAVA application, in a JAVA code form, ~~wherein the application-specific policies are programmed using a JAVA programming language~~ and the application-specific policies are provided to an underlying JAVA platform without altering the JAVA platform;

stopping execution of a child control module using the parent control module, the child control module being part of a child application; and

stopping execution of the child application using the child control module.

16. (original): A method as recited in claim 15, further comprising the operation of sending a request from the parent control module to a runtime executive subsystem, the request including a message to stop the child application.

17. (original): A method as recited in claim 16, further comprising the operation of stopping a plurality of service modules using the child control module, the plurality of service modules being part of the child application.

18. (original): A method as recited in claim 17, further comprising the operation of sending a request from the child control module to the runtime executive subsystem, the request including a message to stop a service module.

19. (original): A method as recited in claim 15, wherein the child control module includes the application-specific policies of the parent control module.

20. (cancelled):